- and adjustment as required by this chapter or which is equipped in any manner in violation of the chapter, except when such sale is made in accordance with the provisions of section three hundred twenty-one point fifty-one (321.51) of the Code.
 - 1 SEC. 8. Chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code 1973, is 2 amended by adding the following new section:
 - NEW SECTION. No person shall knowingly permit a prospective purchaser to test drive a motor vehicle on the highways of this state unless the vehicle is mechanically safe for the purposes and conditions of the test drive.
 - 1 SEC. 9. Section three hundred twenty-two point twenty-five (322.25), Code 1973, is repealed.

Approved July 20, 1973.

This Act was passed by the G. A. before July 1, 1973.

CHAPTER 209

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES

S. F. 130

AN ACT relating to the numbering of motor vehicle registration plates.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point thirty-four 2 (321.34), Code 1973, is amended to read as follows:
- 321.34 Plates or validation sticker furnished. The county treasurer upon receiving application, accompanied by proper fee, for registration of a vehicle shall issue to the owner one registration plate for a motorcycle, truck tractor, trailer, or semitrailer and two registration plates for every other motor vehicle.
- 8 The county treasurer shall also issue to applicants for registration of a truck or a truck tractor, not including in the lowest registration class, 9 a two decalcomania emblems for each plate and which emblems desig-10 nates the gross weight for which the vehicle is registered by figures which show the gross weight in tons. Number plates and weight limi-11 12 13 tation emblems which are issued with registrations or registration increases are hereby declared to be integral parts of the registration of the vehicle for which issued. The weight limitation emblems shall 14 15 be applied to both sides of the vehicle, either to the doors of the cab or 16 to the lower front corner of the box, or such other location as desig-17 nated by the commissioner.
- nated by the commissioner.
 In lieu of issuing new registration plates each year for a vehicle renewing registration, the department may reassign the registration plates previously issued to such vehicle and may adopt and prescribe an annual validation sticker indicating payment of registration fee, which annual validation sticker shall be attached to said registration plates bearing the numerals indicating the year for which the original plates are validated.
- The owner of an automobile who holds an amateur radio license issued by the federal communications commission may, upon written

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28 application to the county treasurer accompanied by a fee of five dol-29 lars, order special registration plates bearing the call letters author-30 ized the radio station covered by his amateur radio license. When 31 received by the county treasurer, such special registration plates shall 32be issued to the applicant in exchange for the registration plates pre-33 viously issued to him. Not more than one set of special registration plates may be issued to an applicant. Said fee shall be in addition to 3435 and not in lieu of the fee for regular registration plates.

Special registration plates must be surrendered upon expiration of the owner's amateur radio license or upon transfer of title to the automobile for which such plates have been issued; and the owner shall

39 thereupon be entitled to his regular registration plates.

The county treasurer shall furnish the department of public safety an alphabetically arranged list of those to whom special plates have been issued.

SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-one point thirty-five (321.35), Code 1973, is amended to read as follows:

321.35 Numbers on plates. Every registration plate shall have

321.35 Numbers on plates. Every registration plate shall have displayed upon it the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which it is issued, the numerical designation of the county, as determined by its alphabetical ranking among the counties of the state, in which the vehicle is registered, also the name of this state, which may be abbreviated, and the year number for which it is issued or the date of expiration thereof.

The numbers on the plates issued for trucks and for truck tractors shall be so arranged on the plate as to leave a blank space three inches wide and four inches high at one end of the plate which is to be the location of the decalermania gross weight emblem provided for in section 321.34. This emblem shall show the gross weight for which registered in as large figures as possible in the upper three inches and the word "ton" in the lower one inch of the emblem. The emblem shall be of such material and quality that it will remain legible during the full registration period and that it cannot be removed from the plate vehicle without its being destroyed.

All motor vehicle registration plates shall be treated with a reflective material according to specifications prescribed by the commissioner of public safety.

1 Sec. 3. The provisions of this Act shall take effect on January 1, 2 1975.

Approved May 24, 1973.

CHAPTER 210

MOTOR VEHICLE ODOMETERS

H. F. 694

AN ACT relating to the regulation of motor vehicle odometers.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point seventy-one (321.71), subsection one (1), paragraph b, Code 1973, is amended to
- 3 read as follows: